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## **Air Quality Update for Carson City and Gardnerville Friday, August 23**

CARSON CITY, Nev. – The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) air quality monitors in Gardnerville and Carson City indicate extremely elevated amounts of particulate matter in the air due to wildfires in California. The levels of particulate matter equate to “Very Unhealthy” on the Air Quality Index (AQI) level of health concern. The AQI is an index for reporting daily air quality and what associated health effects might be an issue.

In conditions that lead to a “Very Unhealthy” designation, all residents may begin to experience adverse health effects. Members of sensitive groups (young children, the elderly, people with asthma or other respiratory issues) may experience more serious affects. People should avoid prolonged or heavy exertion outside and consult with their health care provider if needed.

Based on National Weather Service forecasts, NDEP expects very unhealthy air quality conditions to remain in Carson City and Douglas County throughout the weekend.

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